

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the arguments presented in the Office Action and respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks presented below.

Applicants received a "Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with the Specification" dated February 16, 2007, which required Applicants to correct an inconsistency that the Office noted between the drawings filed on August 20, 2003 and the Brief Description of the Drawing in the specification. Specifically, Figures 14F and 14G were contained in the drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Upon inspection of the specification to prepare a response to the Notice of Inconsistency, Applicants determined that the copy of the specification filed with the divisional application on August 20, 2003 was incorrect and omitted certain portions of the specification of the parent application. Accordingly, Applicants are hereby filing a substitute specification to correct this. A copy of the substitute application with marking showing additions and deletions in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125 is also submitted herewith.

Applicants have altered the "Related Applications" section of the substitute specification to indicate the proper chain of applications pending in the present application.

A Notice of Allowability and Examiner's Amendment was mailed to Applicants on January 11, 2007. In the Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner deleted the phrase "which claims benefit of February 28, 2000" on page 1, lines 3-4 of the specification. Applicants respectfully traverse this amendment.

Applicants believe that the language of the "Related Applications" section claiming benefit of priority to provisional application 60/185,201 is proper and in the form set out in MPEP 201.11(III)(B). Applicants hereby request that the amendment be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have made a good faith attempt to address the issues raised by the Notice of Inconsistency and the Examiner's Amendment, and hereby request consideration and entry of this Amendment.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above amendments and arguments, or any suggestions for further amending the claims to obtain allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney, John Fitzgerald, at 310-242-2667.

Applicant believes that no fee is due with the filing of this paper. However, if in fact a fee or fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account No. 06-2425 for such fees arising from the filing of this paper.

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Respectfully submitted,

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